

HOUSE BILL 3408

By Harmon

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55,  
Chapter 9, Part 6, relative to safety belts.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-9-603(d), is amended by deleting subsection (d) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(d)

(1) A violation of this section is a Class C misdemeanor. All proceeds from the fines imposed by this subsection (d) shall be deposited in the state general fund and designated for the uses specified in subdivision (d)(3).

(2) A person charged with a violation of this section may, in lieu of appearance in court, submit a fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for a first and all subsequent violations to the clerk of the court that has jurisdiction of the offense within the county in which the offense charged is alleged to have been committed.

(3) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the revenue generated by twenty dollars (\$20.00) of the fifty-dollar fine for all convictions under this section shall be deposited in the child safety fund, as defined in § 55-9-602(f) and expended in accordance with that section and § 55-9-610. Fifteen dollars (\$15.00) of the fifty-dollar fine for all convictions under this section shall be deposited in the state general fund and designated for the exclusive use of the division of vocational rehabilitation to assist eligible handicapped individuals, as defined in § 49-11-602, who have been severely injured in motor vehicle accidents. The remaining fifteen dollars (\$15.00) of the fifty-dollar fine for all

convictions under this section shall be deposited in the state general fund without being designated for any specific purpose

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.